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#### DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

**Coast Guard** 

**33 CFR Part 100** 

**Docket No. USCG-2021-0622** 

RIN 1625-AA08

Special Local Regulations; Roar on the River, Detroit River, Wyandotte, MI

**AGENCY**: Coast Guard, DHS.

**ACTION**: Temporary final rule.

**SUMMARY**: The Coast Guard is establishing a special local regulation for certain waters of the Detroit River, Wyandotte, MI. This action is necessary to protect safety of life on navigable waters immediately prior to, during, and after the Roar on the River power boat race. Entry of vessels or persons into this zone is prohibited unless specifically authorized by the Captain of the Port Detroit or a designated representative.

**DATES**: This regulation is effective from 11 a.m. through 1 p.m. on September 25, 2021.

**ADDRESSES**: To view documents mentioned in this preamble as being available in the docket, go to https://www.regulations.gov, type USCG-2021-0622 in the search box and click "Search." Next, in the Document Type column, select "Supporting & Related Material."

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**: If you have questions on this rule, call or email Ms. Tracy Girard, Waterways Management Division, Sector Detroit, U.S. Coast Guard; telephone (313) 568-9564, email Tracy.M.Girard@uscg.mil.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### I. Table of Abbreviations

CFR Code of Federal Regulations
DHS Department of Homeland Security

FR Federal Register

NPRM Notice of proposed rulemaking

§ Section

U.S.C. United States Code

# II. Background Information and Regulatory History

The Coast Guard is issuing this temporary rule without prior notice and opportunity to comment pursuant to authority under section 4(a) of the Administrative Procedure Act (APA) (5 U.S.C. 553(b)). This provision authorizes an agency to issue a rule without prior notice and opportunity to comment when the agency for good cause finds that those procedures are "impracticable, unnecessary, or contrary to the public interest." Under 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(B), the Coast Guard finds that good cause exists for not publishing a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) with respect to this rule because we must establish this special local regulation by September 25, 2021. Delaying the effective date of this regulation for a comment period to run would be contrary to the public interest and impractical because it would inhibit the Coast Guard's ability to protect spectators and vessels from the potential safety hazards associated with a power boat race.

#### III. Legal Authority and Need for Rule

The Coast Guard is issuing this rule under authority in 46 U.S.C. 70034 (previously 33 U.S.C. 1231). The Captain of the Port Detroit (COTP) has determined that potential hazards associated with the Roar on the River Powerboat Race on September 25, 2021, will be a safety concern for anyone navigating within the Trenton Channel in the Detroit River.

#### IV. Discussion of the Rule

This rule establishes a temporary special local regulation from 11 a.m. through 1 p.m. on September 25, 2021. In light of the aforementioned hazards, the COTP has determined that a special local regulation is necessary to protect spectators, vessels, and participants. The special local regulation will encompass the following waterway: all

waters of the Detroit River encompassed within the following four points: from point 42°14.160'N, 083°08.580'W (NAD 83); a line drawn south to point 42°14.140'N, 083°08.400'W (NAD 83); a line drawn east to position '42°14.1407'N, 083°08.280'W (NAD 83); a line drawn north to position '42°14.0407'N, 083°08.460'W (NAD 83); a line drawn west to point 42°14.160'N, 083°08.580'W (NAD 83). The COTP or a designated on-scene representative will notify the public of the enforcement of this rule by all appropriate means, including a Broadcast Notice to Mariners.

# V. Regulatory Analyses

We developed this rule after considering numerous statutes and Executive orders related to rulemaking. Below we summarize our analyses based on a number of these statutes and Executive orders, and we discuss First Amendment rights of protestors.

# A. Regulatory Planning and Review

Executive Orders 12866 and 13563 direct agencies to assess the costs and benefits of available regulatory alternatives and, if regulation is necessary, to select regulatory approaches that maximize net benefits. This rule has not been designated a "significant regulatory action," under Executive Order 12866. Accordingly, this rule has not been reviewed by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB).

This regulatory action determination is based on the size, location, duration, and time-of-day of the special local regulation. Vessel traffic will be able to safely transit around this regulated area which would impact a small designated area of the Detroit River for two hours in an area where vessel traffic is normally low. Moreover, the Coast Guard would issue a Broadcast Notice to Mariners via VHF-FM marine channel 16 about the zone, and the rule would allow vessels to seek permission to enter the zone.

# B. Impact on Small Entities

The Regulatory Flexibility Act of 1980, 5 U.S.C. 601–612, as amended, requires Federal agencies to consider the potential impact of regulations on small entities during

rulemaking. The term "small entities" comprises small businesses, not-for-profit organizations that are independently owned and operated and are not dominant in their fields, and governmental jurisdictions with populations of less than 50,000. The Coast Guard certifies under 5 U.S.C. 605(b) that this rule will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities.

While some owners or operators of vessels intending to transit the area may be small entities, for the reasons stated in section V.A. above, this rule will not have a significant economic impact on any vessel owner or operator.

Under section 213(a) of the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act of 1996 (Public Law 104-121), we want to assist small entities in understanding this rule. If the rule would affect your small business, organization, or governmental jurisdiction and you have questions concerning its provisions or options for compliance, please call or email the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section.

Small businesses may send comments on the actions of Federal employees who enforce, or otherwise determine compliance with, Federal regulations to the Small Business and Agriculture Regulatory Enforcement Ombudsman and the Regional Small Business Regulatory Fairness Boards. The Ombudsman evaluates these actions annually and rates each agency's responsiveness to small business. If you wish to comment on actions by employees of the Coast Guard, call 1-888-REG-FAIR (1-888-734-3247). The Coast Guard will not retaliate against small entities that question or complain about this rule or any policy or action of the Coast Guard.

#### C. Collection of Information

This rule will not call for a new collection of information under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501–3520).

#### D. Federalism and Indian Tribal Governments

A rule has implications for federalism under Executive Order 13132, Federalism,

if it has a substantial direct effect on the States, on the relationship between the National Government and the States, or on the distribution of power and responsibilities among the various levels of government. We have analyzed this rule under that Order and have determined that it is consistent with the fundamental federalism principles and preemption requirements described in Executive Order 13132.

Also, this rule does not have tribal implications under Executive Order 13175,

Consultation and Coordination with Indian Tribal Governments, because it does not have
a substantial direct effect on one or more Indian tribes, on the relationship between the
Federal Government and Indian tribes, or on the distribution of power and responsibilities
between the Federal Government and Indian tribes.

# E. Unfunded Mandates Reform Act

The Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995 (2 U.S.C. 1531–1538) requires

Federal agencies to assess the effects of their discretionary regulatory actions. In

particular, the Act addresses actions that may result in the expenditure by a State, local,

or tribal government, in the aggregate, or by the private sector of \$100,000,000 (adjusted

for inflation) or more in any one year. Though this rule will not result in such an

expenditure, we do discuss the effects of this rule elsewhere in this preamble.

#### F. Environment

We have analyzed this rule under Department of Homeland Security Directive 023-01, Rev. 1, associated implementing instructions, and Environmental Planning COMDTINST 5090.1 (series), which guide the Coast Guard in complying with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969(42 U.S.C. 4321–4370f), and have determined that this action is one of a category of actions that do not individually or cumulatively have a significant effect on the human environment. This special local regulation lasts two hours and will prohibit entry within the navigable waters of the Detroit River, It is categorically excluded from further review under paragraph L[61] of Appendix A, Table

1 of DHS Instruction Manual 023–01–001–01, Rev. 1. A Record of Environmental Consideration supporting this determination is available in the docket. For instructions on locating the docket, see the **ADDRESSES** section of this preamble.

## G. Protest Activities

The Coast Guard respects the First Amendment rights of protesters. Protesters are asked to call or email the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section to coordinate protest activities so that your message can be received without jeopardizing the safety or security of people, places or vessels.

# **List of Subjects in 33 CFR Part 100**

Marine safety, Navigation (water), Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Security measures, Waterways.

For the reasons discussed in the preamble, the Coast Guard amends 33 CFR 100 as follows:

## PART 100 — SAFETY OF LIFE ON NAVIGABLE WATERS

1. The authority citation for part 100 continues to read as follows:

**Authority**: 46 U.S.C. 70034, 70051; 33 CFR 1.05-1, 6.04-1, 6.04-6, and 160.5; Department of Homeland Security Delegation No. 0170.1.

2. Add § 100.T05-0622 to read as follows:

# § 100.T05-0622 Special Local Regulations; Roar on the River, Detroit River, Wyandotte, MI

(a) *Location*. A regulated area is established to encompass the following waterway: all waters of the Detroit River encompassed within the following four points: from point 42°14.160'N, 083°08.580'W, a line drawn south to point 42°14.140'N, 083°08.400'W a line drawn east to position '42°14.1407'N, 083°08.280'W; a line drawn north to position '42°14.0407'N, 083°08.460'W; a line drawn west to point 42°14.160'N, 083°08.580'W (NAD 83).

(b) Enforcement period. The regulation will be enforced from 11 a.m. through 1

p.m. on September 25, 2021. The Captain of the Port Detroit will announce specific

enforcement periods by Broadcast Notice to Mariners (BNM).

(c) Regulations. (1) In accordance with the general regulations in § 100.911(b),

no vessel may enter, transit through, or anchor within the regulated area without the

permission of the Coast Guard Patrol Commander.

(2) Vessel operators desiring to enter or operate within the regulated area shall

contact the Coast Guard Patrol Commander to obtain permission to do so. Vessel

operators given permission to enter or operate within the regulated area must comply

with all directions given to them by the Coast Guard Patrol Commander.

Dated: September 8, 2021

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Captain of the Port Detroit.

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